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All the answers are to be written in the answer book provided.

I. Segmental graphemes in the English alphabet bear either tense vowels or lax vowels, which implicitly contains basic phonological rules that can be applied to the phonetic realizations of almost all the regular vowels in monosyllabic words.

Formulate **phonological rules** to account for implicit phonetic patterns in the data below, using **cover symbol notations**: V stands for a vowel, C for a consonant. 10%

(a)	B	/bi/	C	/si/	D	/di/	G	/dʒi/
	P	/pi/	T	/ti/	V	/vi/	E	/i/
	A	/e/	J	/dʒe/	K	/ke/		
	Q	/kju/	U	/ju/				
	O	/o/						
	I	/ai/	Y	/wai/				
(b)	F	/ɛf/	L	/ɛl/	M	/ɛm/	N	/ɛn/
	R	/ar/	S	/ɛs/	X	/ɛks/		
(c)	W	/dʌblju/			Z	/zi, zɛd/		
(d)	H	/ɛtʃ/						

II. In English, the alphabetic spelling system does not completely represent the phonetic realization of words. Some letters are silent in some phonological environments: use the words provided below as data to explain within 50 words, the silence of the letters underlined. 20%

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III. *English Sentence Patterns* by Lado and Fries (1957) and *English Sentence Structure* by Robert Krohn (1971) are two important books on structuralism,

- briefly describe within 50 words the contribution of these two works on linguistics (10%), and
- make a concise comparison, in a table, of the two books and cite two examples of the similarities and another two of dissimilarities in their linguistic concepts. (10%).

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IV. Many regular morphological changes are observed in the shape of morphemes in spelling. From among the words given below in a table,

- (a) try to find a morpheme, which serves as a prefix (20%)
- (b) formulate the rule that accounts for the distributions of the allomorphs of the prefix morpheme (20%), and
- (c) state in general terms any phonological rules revealed in these words (10%).

offend	obliterate	occlude	oppose	obey	omit
occupy	oblige	observe	offer	obstacle	occur
obese	obtain	objurgate	obvert	occasion	oppress
obscure	obituary	opponent	occupy	obstinate	oblige
omissive	obey	obtrude	obnoxious	object	obvious